



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Sanchez, et al.

Application No.: 09/847,736

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For: PIVOT POINT ARM FOR A ROBOTIC SYSTEM USED
TO PERFORM A SURGICAL PROCEDURE

Examiner: Steven Post

Art Group: 3739

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97-1.98, Applicant submits the enclosed Form PTO-1449, along with copies of the documents listed therein.

It is hereby stated that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of the initial Office Action, and therefore, no petition or fee is required. However, in the event a petition is needed for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant hereby so petitions. Please charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 09-0946. An extra copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for Deposit Account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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